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To: County Chief Business Officials

From: Janet Sterling, Director

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Subject: Deferred Maintenance, Maximum State Match

Enclosed are listings of the maximum level of state matching funds and supporting data that the California Department of Education certified to the state Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) for use in allocating deferred maintenance program funds to local educational agencies (LEAs) for the 2001-02 fiscal year. The listings include a maximum for all school districts, county offices of education and direct funded charter schools. Please note, however, that LEAs listed are not necessarily eligible for program funds.

Although we have listed a maximum for each direct funded charter school, the OPSC does not permit any charter school to apply directly for deferred maintenance program funds. Charter schools must receive deferred maintenance funding through their chartering entity. Separate maximums for each direct funded charter school have only been included so that the chartering agency may elect to match the combined state maximums (chartering agency maximum plus the direct funded charter school maximum) and share funds with the direct funded charter school or to match only their own state maximum if the chartering agency will not be sharing their deferred maintenance funding with the direct funded charter school.

The OPSC is responsible for determining an LEA's eligibility and administering the funding for the deferred maintenance program. For questions regarding charter school eligibility, deposits into the deferred maintenance fund, the Legislative report required by *Education Code* Section 17584.1 (required if an LEA elects to deposit less than the maximum possible state match into its deferred maintenance account), or the percentage of the eligible match that will be funded, please contact Roxana Saravia in the Office of Public School Construction at (916) 323-3871.

Please share the information on the enclosed listings with your districts. We are providing these listings so that participating agencies may transfer the required local match to the Deferred Maintenance Fund prior to the OPSC deadlines.

If you have questions regarding the calculation of the maximum match shown on the enclosed listings, please contact Richard Zeiszler at (916) 324-4533 or by e-mail (rzeiszle@cde.ca.gov).

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